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PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
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ALLOCATION OF GAS TO PRAGATI POWER PLANT- II
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) has shown its inability to allocate gas to Pragati Power Plant-II, being run by the Delhi Government;

(b) if so, whether the Government of Delhi has approached the Union Government to intervene in this regard so that Delhi`s power situation could be eased out; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Union Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a) Yes, Sir. The Delhi Government has requested allocation of 1.7 MMSCMD gas for the proposed Pragati Power Plant Phase-II. One of the sources is additional gas likely to be available during 2007 from the PMT JV (Panna-Mukta-Tapti Joint Venture) in which ONGC is a partner. ONGC has informed that as it has already tied-up its share with the customers, it has no surplus gas to supply to Pragati Power Plant Phase-II.

(b) & (c): Yes, Sir. The other PMT JV partners are British Gas and Reliance Industries Limited. This Ministry has suggested that Pragati Power Project may either approach these partners directly or authorize GAIL on their behalf to negotiate gas tie-up for them on commercial considerations.